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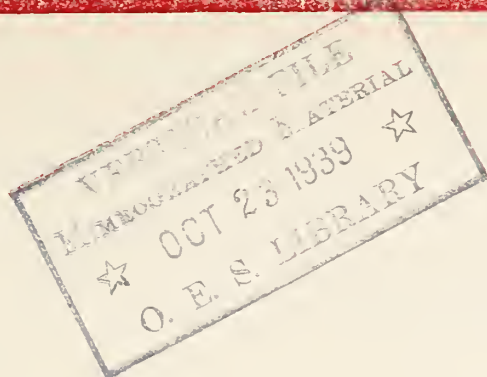
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Items:

If you have an out-door fireplace in the garden, or an ash pit or incinerator in the yard, all overhanging limbs of nearby trees should be cut back as a fire protective measure, just as they would be in the case of chimneys. A raked space of 10 or 15 feet all around a fireplace at a camp or in a garden is another precaution. Such a cleared space may be planted around its edge with low shrubs and garden plants.

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It is not advisable for an inexperienced person to try to tan valuable fur skins or large hides to be made into coats, robes, or rugs. Small fur skins or skins of low market value might be tanned for home or farm use according to directions given in Farmers Bulletin 1334-F, entitled Home Tanning. A copy of the bulletin may be obtained free from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

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Scientists have been attempting to find a process for making quince preserves that would prevent the loss of flavor which follows the customary steaming or parboiling of the fruit to soften it. They recommend putting the pieces of quince into a very thin sirup at the first of the preserving process. As the cooking proceeds the sirup gradually thickens, the quinces become softer, the natural juices of the fruit go into the sirup, and none of the flavor is drained off.

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